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In re application of: Daniel Tang, et al. :Date: October 30, 2006

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CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

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**Request for Continuous Examination (RCE)
As A Continuation Prosecution Application (CPA)**

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Sir:

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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(d), and in response to the Examiner's Final Action mailed on August 3, 2006, the Applicants hereby file a Request of Continuation Examination (RCE) as previously known as a continuation prosecution application (CPA) of the above pending complete application. This Application should be a Continuation of the above application. Please
35 use the specification (including the claim and the abstract) of the above application and also use the Declaration and Oath therefrom for this is a continuation application.

(X) Enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment for this 37 CFR 1.53(d)
Application

(X) Please enter the Amendment Under Rule 116 in the Parent Application.

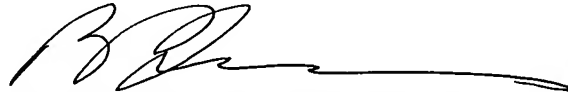
() Enclosed is a new Declaration if this is a CIP application.

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Please use (X) the drawings of the above application. () the new
drawing(s)

10 After entry of a Preliminary Amendment, there will be three (1)
independent claims and 14 total claims. The Application is assigned to an
Assignee as a small entity thus the filing fee for the 37 CFR 1.53(d),
Application will be \$ 500.00, and a PTO2038 Credit Card Charge for this
amount is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge
15 additional fees required for this CPA Application submitted by this
transmittal and for the Preliminary Amendment that is to file later and
during the entire pendency of this application to Account No. 12-0005.

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**TRANSMITTAL FOR
CONTINUATION PROSECUTION APPLICATION**

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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Inventor(s): **Daniel Tang and Jiong Chen**

WARNING: Patent must be applied for in the name(s) of all the actual inventor(s). 37 CFR 1.41(a) and 1.53(b).

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For (title): **METHOD OF TESTING WAFERS WITH PHOTORESIST TO PERFORM
METROLOGY ANALYSIS USING LARGE CURRENT E-BEAM SYSTEMS**

1. Type of Application

This new application is a(n) (check one applicable item below):

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- ☒ Original
☐ Design
☐ Plant

WARNING: Do not use this transmittal for a completion in the U.S. of an International Application under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4) unless the International Application is being filed as a divisional, continuation or continuation-in part Application.

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NOTE: If one of the following 3 items apply then complete and attach ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF A PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION CLAIMED.

☐ Divisional

☒ Continuation (CPA of Application 10/626,355 Filed on July 24, 2003)

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☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)

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2. Benefit of Prior U.S. Application(s) (35 USC 120)

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☒ The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. application(s) and enclosed are ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION(S) CLAIMED.

3. Papers Enclosed Which Are Required For Filing Date Under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) or CFR 1.153 (Design) Application

☐ Pages of specification

☐ Pages of claims

☐ Pages of Abstract

☐ Pages of Drawings

☐ Formal ☐ informal

WARNING: DO NOT submit original drawings. A high quality copy of the drawings should be supplied when filing a patent application. The drawings that are submitted the Office must be on strong, white, smooth, and non-shiny paper and meet the standards according to 1.84. If corrections to the drawings are necessary, they should be made to the original drawing and a high-quality copy of the corrected original drawing then submitted the Office. Only one copy is required or desired. Comments on proposed new 37 CFR 1.84. Notice of March 9, 1988 (1990 O.G. 57-62).

NOTE: "Identify indicia such as the serial number, group and unit, title of the invention, attorney's docket number, inventor's name, number of sheets, etc., not to exceed 2 3/4 inches (7.0 cm.) in which may be placed in a centered location between the side edges within three fourths inch (19.1 mm.) of the top edge. Either this marking technique on the front of the drawing is acceptable." Proposed 37 CFR 1.84 (1). Notice of March 9, 1988 (1090 O.G. 57-62)

4. Additional papers enclosed

☐ Preliminary amendment

☐ Information Disclosure Statement

☐ Form PTO-1449

☐ Citations

☐ Declaration of Biological Deposit

☐ Submission of "Sequence Listing," computer readable copy and/or amendment pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence.

☐ Authorization of Attorney(s) to Accept and Follow Instructions from Representative

☐ Special Comments

☐ Other

An assignment of the invention to _____
 is attached
 will follow

9. Certified Copy Certified cop(ies) of application(s)

NOTE: This item is for any foreign priority for which the application being filed directly relates. If any parent U.S. application or International Application from which this application claims benefit under 35USC120 is itself entitled to priority from a prior foreign application then complete item 18 on the ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION(S) CLAIMED.

A X Regular application

note: If the fees for extra claims are not paid on filing they must be paid or the claims canceled by amendment, prior to the expiration of the time period set for response by the Patent and Trademark Office in any notice of fee deficiency. 37CFR1.16(d).

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B. _ Design application

(\$250.00 - 37 CFR 1.16(f))

Filing fee calculation

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C _ Plant application

(\$420.00 - 37 CFR 1.16(g))

Filing fee calculation

\$ _____

5 **11. Small Entity Statement(s)**

X Verified Statement(s) that his is a filing by a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is (are) attached.

Filing Fee Calculation (50% of A, B, or C above) \$ 500.00

10 NOTE: any excess of the full fee paid will be refunded if a verified statement and a refund request are filed within 2 months of the date of timely payment of a full fee. 37 CFR 1.28(a).

12. Request for International-Type Search (37 CFR 1.104(d)) (complete, if applicable)

_ Please prepare an international-type search report for this application at the time when national examination on the merits takes place.

13. Fee Payment Being Made At This Time

15 _ Not Enclosed

_ No filing fee is to paid at this time. (This and the surcharge required by 37 CFR 1.16(e) can be paid subsequently.)

X Enclosed

20 _ basic filing fee \$ 500.00

_ recording assignment (\$40.00; 37 CFR 1.21(h)) \$ 0.00

25 _ petition fee for filing by other than all the inventors or person on behalf of the inventor where inventor refused to sign or cannot be reached. (\$120.00; 37 CFR 1.47 and 1.17(h)) \$ _____

30 _ for processing an application with a specification in a non-English language. (\$300.00; 37 CFR 1.52(d) and 1.17(k)) \$ _____

_ processing and retention fee (\$120.00; 37 CFR 1.53(d) and 1.21(l))
_ fee for international-type search report (\$30.00; 37 CFR 1.21(e))

35 \$ _____

40 NOTE: 37 CFR 1.21(l) establishes a fee for processing and retaining any application which is abandoned for failing to complete the application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(d) and this, as well as the changes to 37 CFR 1.53 and 1.78, indicate that in order to obtain the benefit of a prior U.S. application, either the basic filing fee must be paid or the processing and retention fee of 1.21(l) must be paid within 1 year from notification under 53(d).

Total fees enclosed

\$ 500.00

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14. Method of Payment of Fees

☒ Check in the amount of \$ 500.00
☐ Charge Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____.

NOTE: Fees should be itemized in such a manner the it is clear for which purpose the fees are paid. 37 CFR 1.22(b).

15. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees

WARNING: if no fees are to be paid on filing the following items should not be completed.

WARNING: Accurately count claims, especially multiple dependent claims, to avoid unexpected high charges, if extra claim charges are authorized.

☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Account No. 12-0005.

☐ 37 CFR 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees)

☐ 37 CFR 1.16(b), (c) and (d) (presentation of extra claims)

NOTE: Because additional fees for excess or multiple dependent claims not paid on filing or on later presentation must only be paid or these claims canceled by amendment prior to the expiration of the time period set for response by the PTO in any notice of fee deficiency (37 CFR 1.16(d)) it might be best not to authorize the PTO to charge additional claim fees, except possibly when dealing with amendments after final action.

☐ 37 CFR 1.16(e) (surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later then the filing date of the application)

☐ 37 CFR 1.17 (application processing fees)

WARNING: While 37 CFR 1.17(a),(b) (c) and (d) deal with extensions of time under 1.136(a) this authorization should be made only with the knowledge that: "Submission of the appropriate extension fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) is to avail unless a request or petition for extension is filed." (Emphasis added). Notice of November 5, 1985 (1060 O.G. 27)

☐ 37 CFR 1.18 (issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.311(b))

NOTE: Where an authorization to charge the issue fee to a deposit account has been filed before the mailing of a Notice of Allowance, the issue fee will be automatically charged to the deposit account at the time of mailing the notice of allowance. 37 CFR 1.311(b).

NOTE: 37 CFR 1.28(b) requires "Notification of any change in loss of entitlement to small entity status must be filed in the application...prior to paying, issue fee". From the wording of 37 CFR 1.28(b): (a) notification of change of status must be made even if the fee is paid as "other than a small entity" and (b) no notification is required if the change is to another small entity.

16. Instructions As to Overpayment

☐ credit Account No.

☒ refund



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_ Incorporation by reference of added pages

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Check the following item if the application in this transmittal claims the benefit of prior U.S. application(s) (including an international application entering the U.S. stage as a continuation, divisional or C-I-P application) and complete and attach the ADDED PAGES FOR A NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION(S) CLAIMED

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_ Plus Added Pages For New Application Transmittal Where Benefit Of Prior U.S. Application(s) Claimed

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_ Plus Added Pages For Papers Referred To In Item 4 Above

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_ Plus "Assignment Cover Letter Accompanying New Application"

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